Board of Directors Meeting Pierre, SD September 21, 2007 MINUTES

Present: Jim Kinyon, Pam Kettering, Dave Johnson, Mary Guth, Steve Blair, Terry Dosch, Grace Mims, Woody Schrenk, Jim Carlon and Joyce Vos. Brett Koenecke joined the Executive Session for a short time.

The meeting was called to order at 8:35am. M/S/P Kettering/Johnson to move into Executive Session.

M/S/P Dosch/Kinyon to adjourn Executive Session and convene General Session at 12:54pm.

M/S/P Kettering/Mims to resolve case #2006-01 by signing the Stipulation. Schrenk was recused and abstained from voting.

M/S/P Schrenk/Johnson to offer the counselor in case #2006-04 a Stipulation to settle the case.

M/S/P Dosch/Guth to determine case #2007-02 is without merit and is to be dismissed.

M/S/P Kinyon/Johnson to dismiss case #2007-03 and provide the complainant a letter of explanation along with a thank you for bringing the issues to the Board's attention.

M/S/P Kettering/Dosch to request the counselor in case #2007-04 attend the next meeting to visit with the Board. Johnson was recused and abstained from voting.

It was recommended the investigation continue in case #2007-01. Blair will inform the Board member assigned to the case. Schrenk was recused.

In regard to the matter and request presented by a future applicant, M/S/P Dosch/Kettering to have Carlon draft a letter for the President's signature citing statute and rules that may impact his potential application based on his information and also explain that as standard procedure, the Board refrains from pre-approving applicants.

The Board agreed to add the "Notification and Agreement for Informal Settlement Conference" to its Internal Operating Procedures: Complaints Against Counselors and Therapists.

M/S/P Kinyon/Mims to return to Executive Session at 1:20pm.

M/S/P Mims/Kinyon to reconvene General Session at 1:25. The new complaint case was assigned to Kettering.

- 2. The Board participated in a conference call to Dr. Dan Heineman from Sanford Health in regard to proposed Genetic Counseling legislation. It was noted that Sanford was probably the only facility that has Genetic Counselors and only three of them. Dr. Heineman briefed the Board on the basic job duties and addressed questions on its cross-over to counseling, genomics, etc. He stated the draft legislation would be submitted to the Dept of Health with the hope it would become an agency Bill. After the call, the Board determined it would continue monitoring the draft/Bill due to some of the concerns with the term "counselor" and Section 1, 3c. And that friendly collaboration may be necessary.
- 1. M/S/P Kettering/Dosch of the June 25, 2007 Minutes with a minor correction. M/S/P Kettering/Mims of the August 3, 2007 Minutes as presented.
- 3. M/S/P Dosch/Mims to approve Burke Eilers request for an exception due to his following the standards all during the timeframe he's requesting.
- 4. It was decided to table this discussion until the Board's legal consultant is present.
- 5. The agenda item was not discussed until the counselor was contacted and advised of the consent issue and the probable discussion in General Session. The Board was granted the consent to discuss the counselor's request. After discussion, M/S/P Kettering/Mims to deny Deb Olsen's request for Individual CE approval.
- 6. It was decided that the Texas Supervisory Agreement was equivalent to our Plan of Supervision, but the supervisor's qualifications and other supervision Rules for SD would have to be met.
- 7. The Board discussed possible 2008 legislation. It was determined that we were not prepared to propose a Marriage & Family Therapist practice law, but we would move forward with the appropriate Board name change, changing the term "Reciprocity" to "Endorsement," and repealing the Chemical Dependency statute improperly placed in our Chapter. Staff will work with DHS and their timeframe. It was decided that the issue of background checks needed to have a broader view by working with the Mental Health Coalition. We should present a proposal to the Coalition.
- 8. Staff provided a 2007 fiscal yearend statement, a current financial, and a 4-year fiscal glance. The trend is that the Board is losing money every year. She reported that the Government Operations and Audit Committee (GOAC) has made another request for responses to their questions about board funds. She was hopeful that DHS would be of assistance.
- 9. M/S/P Kettering/Dosch that personal therapy hours can not be recognized as meeting continuing education compliance. After discussion, Dosch made a substitute motion to table the subject until a later time and Kettering seconded it. Mims opposed.

Staff informed the Board that after 12 years the post office box number would change to #2164 on October 1, 2007 due to major remodeling of the Sioux Falls post office building.

Mims expressed she learned so much from attending the NBCC and AMFTRB conferences and wants time to report at the next meeting. She stated that she was proud of SD due to Woody Schrenk's and Larry Porter's leadership roles with the two organizations.

10. It was decided that Staff would send a "date finder" to the Board members to determine the best meeting date of either December 3 or 10.

M/S/P Mims/Kettering to adjourn the meeting at 4:45pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Joyce M. Vos Executive Secretary